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November Meeting

The Road Less Traveled

By

Kathleen Springer, San Bernardino County Museum

Kathleen Springer of the San Bernardino County Museum delved into Southern California paleontology and geology, highlighted her work at the County Museum; and shared her experience in getting into the field of paleontology.

Geological Sciences at the County Museum:

The Division of Geological Sciences encompasses paleontology, mineralogy and geology, and a library of geological references, periodicals, journals, and gray literature.

The Division of Geological Sciences holds more than half a million fossils of extinct vertebrates and invertebrates, primarily from the southwestern United States with an emphasis on San Bernardino and Riverside Counties. The Division has nearly 200,000 specimens recorded in a computer database with associated contextual information, and is currently in the process of upgrading this database. Collections of particular interest include:

late Pleistocene fossils from Diamond Valley Lake outside of Hemet in Riverside County, as well as other sites throughout the inland valley area; later Pliocene to late Pleistocene fossils

from throughout the Mojave Desert, including Kokoweef Cave, Antelope Cave, the Fort Irwin region, the Piute Valley, Valley Wells, Daggett, and the Victorville/Hesperia region of San Bernardino County;

middle Pliocene to middle Pleistocene fossils from the San Timoteo Badlands along the San Jacinto Fault Zone in Riverside County;

early Pliocene and early to middle Pleistocene fossils from Murrieta and Temecula along the Elsinore Fault Zone in Riverside County;

middle Miocene vertebrate fossils and fossil trackways from in and around the Barstow Fossil Beds, type locality for the Barstovian North American Land Mammal Age; later Jurassic dinosaur trackways from the easternmost Mojave Desert.

Fossils from these sites have greatly expanded knowledge of the fossil animals and plants that roamed southern California thousands and millions of years ago. Studies of these fossils by the Division of Geology have resulted in the discovery and description of new taxa, as well as the expansion of our knowledge of the geographic range and morphological variation of established species. These investigations have also enabled the staff of the Division of Geological Sciences to advance new interpretations regarding the sequence and timing of deposition of fossil-bearing strata throughout southern California.

The Division of Geological Sciences also performs paleontologic management services including: assessments of sensitivity; plans for mitigation of impacts to significant nonrenewable paleontologic resources; excavation monitoring and salvage of paleontologic resources; and preparation, identification, curation, retrievable storage, and summary reports and inventories in compliance with federal, state, and local laws, policies, and guidelines for the preservation of nonrenewable paleontologic resources. The division holds and annually renews an Antiquities Act Permit from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, to perform such services on public lands.

The Regional Paleontologic Locality Inventory (RPLI) is a computer database with positional and contextual data for more than 3,000 fossils localities from throughout California and the southwestern United States. The RPLI has been instrumental in the development of paleontologic sensitivity maps and management recommendations for the County of San Bernardino, the County of Riverside, Edwards Air Force Base, the San Bernardino National Forest, Fort Irwin Military Reservation, the California Desert Conservation Area of the Bureau of Land Management, the Upper Santa Ana River Dams project of the Army Corps of Engineers, as well as for local agencies and private firms. The RPLI database is presently in the process of being upgraded. For the protection of the resources, and in accordance with the guidelines of applicable agencies, access to the RPLI is provided by the Senior Curator of Geological Sciences, Kathleen Springer. Locality data can be made available to qualified researchers.

Mineral collections are from the southwest: California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona and Baja California, with a strong worldwide component for comparison. Collections are organized by mineral chemistry (modified Dana system) and by locality suites. The Dana suites have strengths in carbonates, sulfates, borates,

arsenates, phosphates, vanadates and molybdates. Localities are well represented in San Bernardino County, southern Nevada and Arizona. The mineral collection includes 55,000 specimens and 10,000 micromounts.

The Geology Library centers on the geology of the three western states. The library contains about 500 volumes, 34,600 serial publications, and 150,000 pages of reprints.

The staff of the Geological Sciences division includes:

Kathleen B. Springer, Senior Curator of Geological Sciences

In addition to running Southern California's largest paleontologic mitigation program, Kathleen's research interests include vertebrate and invertebrate paleontology of southern California and Nevada, geologic/paleontologic method and theory, paleontologic resource management, and morphometrics. She has published several research articles in professional scientific journals. She holds paleontologic collecting permits for use on public lands in Nevada and California.

Eric Scott, Curator of Paleontology

Eric's research interests include North American Plio-Pleistocene megafaunal evolution, Plio-Pleistocene horse phylogeny, and late Pleistocene extinctions in North America. He also has a strong background in early hominid evolution. Eric has published both technical and general interest papers presenting the results of his research.

J. Christopher Sagebiel, Curator of Geology

Chris has extensive experience in the preparation and curation of fossil resources. His research interests include Pleistocene cave faunas and microvertebrate evolution. Chris has published several paleontology research articles in professional, peer-reviewed scientific journals.



San Bernardino County
Women's Network
Holiday Reception
December 2002 Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend our Annual Holiday Reception
For Members Only

Wednesday, December 18, 2002

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Meadows Banquet and Conference Center
225 North Del Rosa Drive
(Located at the old Norton AFB on the southeast
corner of Third Street and North Del Rosa Drive)
San Bernardino

Join us for this festive time to eat, be merry, and network!

There will be a donation box if you wish to bring toiletries or other items for battered women's shelters in our area (Option House, House of Ruth, and Rose of Sharon). Get that warm holiday feeling and help another woman by bringing your donation to the Holiday Reception.*

**For a detailed list of needed items, contact Linda Urquizu via e-mail at lurquizu@cao.sbcounty.gov*

Please RSVP by Thursday, December 1, to guarantee enough seating and refreshments for everyone.

To register for this meeting, please use below link to our new electronic registration site:
http://countyline/countywomensnetwork/_registration/default.asp *For those of you without e-mail, call Dolores Armstead at (909) 388-0831.*

****You will need to indicate your "A" or "B" lunch choice.**

Cost: \$2 each or 3 for \$5. The raffle prizes include gift certificates for Hometown Buffet, Friday's, CLAIM Jumper, and International Skin and Body Spa, as well as passes to Universal Studios and Entertainment Books

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Lunch Entrée Selections**
Choice "A": Lemon Pepper Chicken
Choice "B": Vegetarian Lasagna

CWN MONTHLY MEETINGS

WILL BE HELD AT

THE MEADOWS BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTER

The Meadows Banquet and Conference Center,
225 North Del Rosa Drive, San Bernardino, CA 92408,
Phone: 909.382.0307

DIRECTIONS:

1. From the **I-10 Freeway**, exit at Tippecanoe and go north.
2. Continue on Tippecanoe until you reach Harry Sheppard Blvd. Make a right turn and head east.
3. Continue on Harry Sheppard Blvd. until you reach North Del Rosa Drive. Make a left turn and head north.
4. On the right hand side, you will see an entrance/driveway to The Meadows facility, which is located just south of Third St.

1. From the **215 Freeway**, exit at Mill and go east.
2. Continue on Mill until you reach Tippecanoe. Make a left turn and head north.
3. Continue on Tippecanoe until you reach Harry Sheppard Blvd. Make a right turn and head east.
4. Continue on Harry Sheppard Blvd. until you reach North Del Rosa Drive. Make a left turn and head north.
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Dearest Lynda,

I'm writing this in hopes you are still the individual in charge of the CWN newsletter. I am a clerk II here at the West Valley Probation Office, Juvenile Services, and a member of the Network. I don't know if you'll consider it for the newsletter, but I have giving a lot of thought to trying to get a story published about my former supervisor, Barbara Lyttle-Riggans, who was recently diagnosed with and underwent treatment for breast cancer. Barbara who is a phenomenal women who is well liked and respected in this office. She is an inspiration to many women, being as she is one of the few female Supervising Probation Officers, and to my knowledge one of the only African-American female supervisors. She is the women who hired me for my position and I worked under her for approximately one year until they moved her into a different unit. She is kind, goodhearted, and extremely professional and it was an absolute joy to work for her. That is the reason why is was especially devastating to me to hear about her diagnosis. Barbara underwent two difficult surgeries to remove the cancer from her breast. During recovery following her first surgery, subsequent tests determined the doctors had not removed all of the cancer and she was operated on again. However, she returned to work just a few weeks after her surgery and she continued working throughout her chemotherapy and radiation treatments. What has amazed me and others about Barbara is that she was able to remain cool, collected, and optimistic. She maintained a positive attitude and often tried to look on the bright side of the changes happening to her body throughout her treatment, such as her fatigue and hairless by making jokes about finally being able to try different hair colors when she purchased wigs. She has touched everyone in this office and especially made the women working here very aware about breast cancer and regular exams for early detection. Many of us here maintained a safe difference from the issue and thought "It can never happen to me" until Barbara was diagnosed, and it was an invaluable lesson to us all. It would mean a great deal to me if somehow I can publicize her story and spread the word to other women about breast cancer and the importance of breast exams.

Thank you for your time and I hope that you will possibly consider publishing something regarding Barbara's story in one of the future newsletters.

Sincerely,
Koren Saenz
Clerk II
West Valley Juvenile Services
(909) 948-4550



A Breast Cancer Journey
Your Personal Guidebook from the experts
at the American Cancer Society

Written for women who have been recently diagnosed with breast cancer or for the individual who has a family member or friend with the disease, this guidebook helps steer you through the emotional and physical aspects of the breast cancer experience.

Dear Dena,

I am writing to you today with a grateful heart. I wanted you to know that CWN touched many lives this Thanksgiving. Our CWN women donated enough food to make many food baskets that will be delivered to elderly and disabled shut-ins, Grandparents raising grandkids and single moms and dads, just to name a few of the recipients. I wanted to make sure that you realized how these lives were touched by the gifts given. Nine years ago after spending 21 days in a coma and after the ensuing divorce and a foreclosure, I found myself a single mother with everything I owned fitting into a mini van. Many were the days when I would wake up in the morning knowing that I must somehow find food for my children.

Because of my God and my family my children never went hungry. For the last eight years (it took me a year to learn how to walk and talk again) I have been most blessed by being able to volunteer at a local shelter and with the San Bernardino City Mission for two years now. So many men and women are only 2 or 3 paychecks away from being hungry and homeless. That can of food isn't just something to eat but is in fact an answered prayer for many.

Please know how grateful I am Dena, for the help and the hands of the CWN in this food drive. It couldn't have been done without Linda and Kim and all of our other women in CWN. Thank you Dena, for encouraging them touch another person's life..... to gift them with sustenance and hope.

In His love,
Shirili

"Do this unto the least of my children, and you have done it unto me...."

P.S. Please extend my thanks to the women on the board of the CWN who supported you in this.....





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The County Women's Network is now selling Entertainment Books for the Inland Empire (San Bernardino, Riverside to Temecula, including Mountains & Palm Springs area) and San Gabriel Valley (Glendale, Pasadena, Claremont, Ontario and surrounding area) at \$20 each. They're great for the expanding family and make great gifts, too!

The Entertainment Books are jam-packed with coupons good at restaurants (fast-food and semi-formal), attractions (like Legoland, Raging Waters, Pharaoh's, San Diego Zoo), grocery stores, car washes, movie theatres, Hollywood video, coffee houses, dry cleaners, fresh cut flowers, GOLF, snow skiing, car rentals, traffic school, cruises, and much, much more! Most coupons expire November 1, 2003.

See's
CANDIES



Alvina Hollensbe will be coordinating CWN's annual See's Candy novelty sales for the holiday season. All proceeds from candy sales go directly back to CWN.

At just \$4 each, these items are the perfect "little something" for babysitters, hairdressers, teachers, co-workers, secret pals, stocking stuffers or, even for yourself.

I am currently taking pre-orders. I will receive a large candy shipment on November 26 and set aside your pre-order at that time. Please order early as these items are a big hit every year! Please make checks payable to CWN and mail to Alvina Hollensbe's attention at Court Admin-0302. There is no sales tax.



UPCOMING TOPICS - SAVE THESE DATES!!!

☺ December 2002 - Annual Holiday Reception

☺ January 2003 - Successful Women Have a Dream

☺ February 2003 - Adventures in Investing—Taking Control of the Reins

☺ March 2003 - Women's History Month

TRAINING - 11/2002 - 01/2003

Business Writing & Grammar Skills Made Easy

01-23-03 - Ontario

Conflict Management Skills for Women

12-18-02 - San Bernardino

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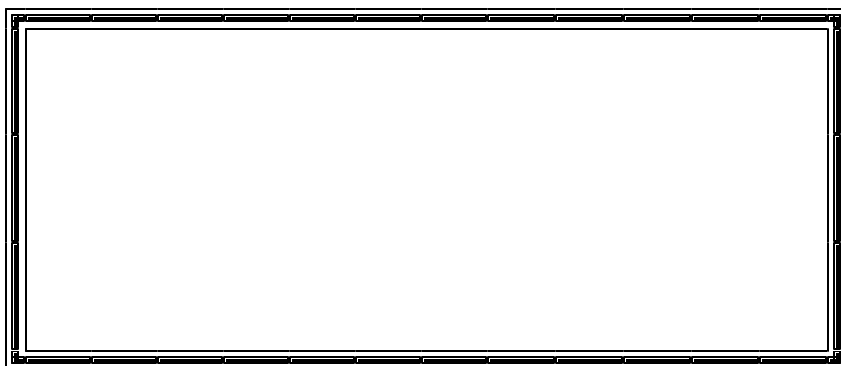
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GETTING THE NEWS OUT TO OUR MEMBERSHIP.

*"Surround yourself with the best people you can
find, delegate authority and don't interfere."*

*Ronald Reagan
40th U.S. President*



NEWS

CWN MEMBER MAILING LIST

Please notify Zelda Verrett, VP-Membership, if your job position, address, and/or phone number has changed.

A current mailing list will ensure you don't miss any issues of CWN News or information regarding the monthly meetings.

PROMOTIONS: Melissa Honold was promoted to Secretary I, Public Defenders Redlands office
CONGRATULATIONS TO EVERYONE WHO RECEIVED PROMOTIONS!

QUESTIONS?

You may send questions, inquiries, and/or suggestions to CWN at our e-mail address.

sb_cwn@yahoo.com

CWN is looking forward to hearing from **YOU!**

REQUEST FOR COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

Please let us know if you are interested in serving on any of the following committees: Training, Scholarships, Programs, Special Projects, Bylaws, Finance, Membership, Newsletter, and/or Door Prizes.

Thank you in advance for your assistance!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Following are websites for employment opportunities with the County, County Schools and Courts:

County: www.sbcounty.gov

County employees who do not have Internet access at work can find the current list of job openings from the Outlook folder list. To access this information, select:

- Public Folders
- All Public Folders
- County-Wide Information
- Employee Related Topics
- Job Announcements

Schools:

[www.sbcusd.k12.ca.us/
humanresources](http://www.sbcusd.k12.ca.us/humanresources)

Superior Court:

www.sbcounty.gov/courts